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Date : November 5, 2004
TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy
SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of **Application No. 09/382,141**


Applicant(s) : Karen R. Ferguson et al
Application No. : 09/382,141
Filed : August 24, 1999

The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,823,316 and an issue date of November 23, 2004.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant. Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of November 23, 2004:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,823,316 to Karen R. Ferguson et al of Michigan for SYSTEM AND METHOD OF DETERMINING A KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SOLUTION appearing in the Official Gazette of November 23, 2004 should be deleted since no patent was granted."


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Karen R. Ferguson et al
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: **OFFICE OF PETITIONS**
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: DECISION GRANTING PETITION
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)
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This is a decision on the petition, filed November 1, 2004, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination).
See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on August 5, 2004 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

Upon receipt of the file in the Office of Petitions and association of the instant petition, RCE, IDS and decision on petition with the file, the file will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 3623 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement.

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¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).